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FOR GROWING CHILDREN.

I was all run down and I heard about Stearns' Wine. It has done me so much good and it is so pleasant to take that I give it to my children. They are growing so fast it is just the thing for them.

SARAH PICKERING,
1332, No. Main St.

HAD NO APPETITE.

Mrs. Pearson, 1254 Day St., says her daughter was all run down, and that she had no appetite and couldn't eat. A friend advised her to take Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil. She has taken seven bottles and wouldn't be without it.

MARY DONOVAN,
80, Quarry St.

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HOME PROOF.

BLOOD WAS IMPOVERISHED.

All my folks have taken Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil with good results. My son has not been well. I think his blood was poor and he couldn't eat very much. I bought a bottle of Stearns' Wine and it has made a new boy of him. It is just as good as the advertisements say it is.

Mrs. JOHN MURPHY,
503, Fourth St.

AFTER INFLUENZA.

This winter I was sick with the "Grip." It left me with no ambition, and no appetite. One of the neighbors told me about Stearns' Wine, so I sent for some. I noticed the good effect from it after taking the first table-spoonful.

Mrs. ANDREW LESHEAN,
513, Peckham St.

BEST OF ALL MEDICINES.

I have examined a large amount of many of the patent medicines and found Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil to be the best of the kind that we ever had in the household. It has benefited both me and my family very much.

JAMES E. McFARLAND,
90, Fourth St.

A WONDERFUL TONIC.

You don't have to take much Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil to know how good it is. After taking the first bottle I noticed how much better I was feeling. I used to feel all tired out, took Stearns' Wine, and must say that it will do all they claim for it.

MARY DONOVAN,
80, Quarry St.

CURED CROUPY COUGH.

Mr. Thomas H. Edwight, the dealer in hay and grain, says: "In my opinion Stearns' Wine is a most excellent article for growing children. My children were troubled with a croupy cough so I gave them Stearns' Wine. It has not only cured their cough, but has strengthened them greatly."

EDWARD WARDWELL,
1914 No. Main St.

CURED STOMACH TROUBLE.

My stomach has been out of order and I haven't had much appetite, but thanks to the five bottles of Stearns' Wine I have taken, my looks and stomach are ever so much better. It is the best medicine I have ever taken.

JENNIE BURNETT,
Tiverton.

RHEUMATISM.

My son has been troubled with Rheumatism. Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil was recommended to him and it has helped him wonderfully. He looks much better and his appetite has improved. He has only taken three bottles. I have spoken to several people about it.

Mrs. SKELETON,
123, Hill St., Oak Grove Village.

TOOK IT FOR BRONCHITIS.

I have been troubled much with bronchitis so I purchased a bottle of Stearns' Wine, and I wouldn't be without it. It makes me eat and relieves that tired feeling. I haven't had any bronchial trouble since I began taking it and cheerfully recommended it.

CHAS. GAUDENS,
221, Fourth St.

HAD NO AMBITION.

I wasn't feeling well. Didn't care to do anything, no ambition, lost my appetite. I have taken two bottles of Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil and I can see and feel a wonderful change for the better. It is so pleasant, too, and all ready to take.

Mrs. FITZPATRICK,
81 Morton St.

FELT LIKE A NEW MAN.

My sister was benefited very much by Stearns' Wine. I haven't been feeling well for some time, so I reasoned that if it did her good it should do the same for me. I have taken only one bottle and am feeling like a new man.

EDWARD WARDWELL,
1914 No. Main St.

TO TAKE AFTER ILLNESS.

Last winter I had a bad attack of the influenza. I was very weak and took Stearns' Wine, one bottle, which strengthened me very much. It is a great medicine. You would never know you were taking cod liver oil.

LOUIS LAFONTTE,
65 Queen St.

AFTER PNEUMONIA.

I had a bad attack of Pneumonia and it left my left lung in bad shape. I tried several so-called foods, but stomach would not hold them. As a last resort sent for a bottle of Stearns' Wine and liked it so well that I am now on my eighteenth bottle. I am working every day and enjoying the best of health.

JAMES BRITLAND,
159 Borden St.

IT GAVE HER STRENGTH.

Stearns' Wine was recommended to me by Mrs. Capt. Simmons. She spoke of it so highly that I thought I would try it. I have been very weak, but after taking two bottles feel like a new woman. My appetite is much better, too.

SARAH JANE BOWEN,
Tiverton, R. I.

ENRICHED HER BLOOD.

I had a bad attack of the "Grip," and didn't feel like myself until I took Stearns' Wine. It helped me wonderfully. My sister was so pleased with the good it did me that she took it, too. She was all dragged out, no appetite, and her blood was poor.

LETTY HARRINGTON,
718 Maple St.

A STRENGTHENING TONIC.

I'm sorry I didn't hear of Stearns' Wine before. It is great stuff. It beats anything I ever saw for a strengthening tonic. I could notice an improvement in my son after he took one bottle.

JAMES WILSON,
410 Fourth St.

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James J. Gorman, the well-known undertaker, of this city, of the firm of Gorman & Sullivan, has used several bottles of Stearns' Wine in his family, and willingly and cheerfully recommends it to anyone with growing up children.

JAMES WILSON,
410 Fourth St.

DID HER BOY GOOD.

My boy has been growing too fast one way, and not enough the other. I didn't know what to do, until I heard of Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil. I have bought him two bottles. He eats much more than he ever did, and he doesn't look like the same boy.

G. A. GARDNER,
85, Chase St.

A WONDERFUL REBUILDER.

Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil has been a great help to me. I have taken a number of patent medicines to build me up, but they are not in it with Stearns' Wine. I have only taken three bottles, but it has worked wonders already.

(Miss) MARY E. LEONARD,
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CURED HIS DYSPEPSIA.

Some people think Dyspepsia is incurable, but all they need to do is try Stearns' Wine and they will find it will tone them up and strengthen their digestive organs. It has entirely cured me and it will cure others. I only used four bottles.

F. B. CHAPIN,
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STEAMSHIP SUBSIDIES

Interesting Evidence.

At further sittings of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, engaged on an inquiry into the effect of steamship subsidies, Sir William Ward, British Consul-General at Hamburg, was examined at considerable length. He said: During recent years British goods to a considerable extent had been carried via Hamburg instead of being shipped direct. It was the general opinion that the quantity of British goods shipped from Hamburg to Morocco, the Levant, and China and Japan had also increased during the last ten years; and the shipment of British goods from the United Kingdom via Bremen to East Africa, East Asia, and Australia was also believed to have increased. The reason for these shipments was generally considered to be that there was no direct line of steamers to the ports to which the goods were shipped; but it was difficult to say what was the exact reason. In answer to Colonel Denny, the witness said there was no such thing as a load-line in Germany. It might be anywhere between the keel and the funnel. (Laughter.) The Hamburg-American line had voluntarily introduced one within the last few months. Mr. W. Redmond asked whether it was not the fact that the German steamers trading to Australia had successfully competed with the P. & O. and Orient lines, although they received a smaller subsidy than the British line. The witness replied that he could only compare the totals. Mr. Redmond explained that the object of his question was to show that there must be some causes beyond the subsidies to account for the increase in German trade. The witness said it seemed to him that if British companies received as large subsidies as the North-German Lloyd and yet the German company's steamers were the more popular and were doing an increasing trade, Germany had arrived at a better result.

Mr. A. J. Wood, Principal of the Statistical Office of His Majesty's Customs, mentioned that of recent years the tendency had been for British shippers to send their goods to Bremen and Hamburg and such ports, thence to be forwarded by subsidised lines which carried at cheaper rates. In answer to Colonel Denny, he stated that a great part of the cargo carried in Messageries Maritimes vessels from the Thames to Marseilles was really destined for much more distant places. On a recent voyage the *Dordogne*, going to Marseilles, cleared

with a cargo of the declared value of £123,000, of which only £8,800 was declared to be destined for France; nearly £120,000 was destined for various countries in Europe, Asia, and Africa. His opinion was that of late years shipments of this character were increasing. Sir E. Vincent: What conclusions do you draw from those facts?—I draw two conclusions:—(1) that British vessels are unable to carry the goods because of the subsidy, and (2) that the French vessel was to that extent a feeder to the vessels which the Messageries Maritimes ran from Marseilles to other and more distant ports.

EVIDENCE REGARDING JAPAN.

Mr. H. J. Longford, British Consul at Nagasaki, gave evidence on 2nd ultimo before the Committee. Mr. Longford testified to the growing trade of Japan, and the extent to which it was shared by British shipping as compared with foreign subsidised vessels. He stated that, in the early '80s, the P. & O. established the first direct European service to Japan. In the early '70s, the Messageries Maritimes, heavily subsidised, began to compete, and from that time the Messageries Maritimes took a large amount of cargo from Marseilles, although the P. & O. continued to carry the bulk of the passengers. In 1880 the British Post Office altered the postal arrangement, whereby Shanghai became the terminus instead of Yokohama—a change against which the whole English colony in Japan protested. Through railway rates from Germany inland to Japan, combined with subsidies, now enabled German steamers to compete successfully with British shipowners. British trade with Japan had not decreased, but it was not increasing proportionately with the foreign trade of Japan generally.

By Sir E. Sassoon: We were supporting German competition with the Far East ourselves by taking advantage of the greater convenience of the subsidised services. By Colonel Romer: He thought there was every probability that the carrying trade of the Germans to North China and Japan would largely increase; indeed, it was increasing monthly.

Then is it your opinion that it would be advisable that a subsidy should be given to some English line to run to Japan?—I think there could not be at the present day a better national investment. The amount would be a trifle, and it would be repaid fourfold. As to the amount required, a subsidy of £12,000, he was told, would be sufficient to induce the P. & O. to transfer their terminus

from Shanghai to Yokohama. But that would not be sufficient to meet the case; they would have to establish a through service from an English port to Yokohama, possibly calling at Bombay, and also this through service should be carried on by vessels of the very best type, such as the Germans had now. For comfort and convenience the German steamer he came in from Japan the other day was far and away beyond anything he had ever experienced on board the P. & O., and the rate he paid was £20 less all the way from Nagasaki than the P. & O. proposed to charge him from Shanghai.

Sir E. Vincent: Your view in a nutshell is this—do not pay a subsidy unless you are obliged to, but rather pay a subsidy than see the P. & O. service to Japan discontinued?—Yes, certainly.

A FEATURE of a dance in Arkansas last night was a free fight and the killing of two men. They seem to throw a good deal of strenuous feeling—not to mention lead—into their little social functions in Arkansas.

YOUNG W. K. Vanderbilt's new automobile is expected to go seventy-five miles an hour. It's a very speedy vehicle—and the man who undertakes to navigate it over country roads will probably have a very speedy end.

A YOUNG LADY'S LIFE SAVED.

AT PANAMA, COLOMBIA, BY CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.
Dr. Chas. H. Utter, a prominent physician, of Panama, Colombia, in a recent letter states: "Last March I had a patient a young lady, sixteen years of age, who had a very bad attack of dysentery. Everything I prescribed for her proved ineffectual, and she was growing worse every hour. Her parents were sure she would die. She had become so weak that she could not turn over in bed. What to do at this critical moment was a study for me, but I thought of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy and as a last resort prescribed it. The most wonderful result was effected. Within eight hours she was feeling much better; inside of three days she was upon her feet, and at the end of one week was entirely well." For sale by All Dealers, WATKINS' Ltd., General Agents.

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A SIMS REEVES STORY.

A Libel on Glasgow.

The late Sims Reeves was fond of telling a story that related to an early engagement in Glasgow, which was arranged through a metropolitan agency. One of the items on the programme was 'Hall smiling morn,' and of course, Mr Reeves was put down for the solo portion. The chorus consisted of an echo, and the London agent assured the soloist that a satisfactory choir had been engaged.

The whole matter was settled hurriedly. Mr Reeves was at first disinclined to accept, as other engagements prevented him from reaching Glasgow in time for a rehearsal with the choir.

'Don't worry about that, my dear sir,' said the agent. 'You will find the choir perfect.'

'The concert was a success, and in due course "Hall, smiling morn," was called for. When the soloist came to the lines requiring an echo, he delivered them in his best manner—"At whose bright presence darkness flies away." Imagine his horror when the echo repeated his words in the broadest Scotch:

'Flies away, flies away.'

Yet Sims Reeves averred that not a person in the audience smiled or appeared to see anything incongruous. When he uttered over the matter with a brilliant after the concert the good man assured him:

'That's just nothing at all. You were a little wrong in your pronunciation, and the echo was correct. You see, it was a Scottish echo.'

A HERO OF THE MERCANTILE MARINE.

Possibly no living Englishman possesses such a magnificent record for life-saving at sea as Mr George Kirby, of Three Mill Lane, Duntreath-by-Bow, who is cook of the Cape liner 'Braemar Castle.' Mr Kirby is 33, and has been at sea since he was 10 years old, having no fewer than 58 mercantile discharges. His latest exploit was on May 4th, when the 'Braemar Castle' was between East London and Port Elizabeth, and a Norwegian barque, the 'Anubis,' was sighted wrecked upon rocks off the coast in a helpless position. The captain of the liner at once brought his vessel as near to the wrecked barque as was possible, and then put off a lifeboat to aid the unfortunate crew. A tremendous sea was running, and after one or two attempts to get a line to the wreck the boat returned, reporting one of her crew, a seaman named Douglas, who was washed out of the boat, as lost. The gallant cook, however, went back in the boat, and plunging into the sea with a line and a life-buoy, succeeded, after a tremendous struggle, in getting aboard the wreck. Just as he had fixed the line an enormous wave broke over the doomed barque, carrying Kirby clean over the vessel, and driving him down amongst the spars and wreckage, all in the boat imagining him to be killed. He, however, badly bruised, extricated himself and made for shore, his wonderful powers as a swimmer carrying him through the surf. Safely landed he looked about him, and then saw Douglas clinging to a rock about a quarter of a mile away. Forgetting his injuries Kirby at once went to his shipmate's assistance and helped him to safety. He then saw the chief officer of the barque struggling in the surf, swam out to him, and though once or twice nearly brooked senseless got him safely to shore. Then he went back for a seaman he had seen in the water, and after tremendous exertions saved him also. By this time the 'Braemar Castle' had steamed away, everybody believing Kirby and Douglas to be lost. The two, however, made their way on foot to East London, a distance of 10 miles, having the two Norwegians, who were too weak to move, to wait for further assistance. The passengers of the 'Braemar Castle,' believing them dead, had collected £50 for their families, which was divided between the two men amid rousing cheers.

Mr Kirby has in all saved the lives of 10 persons at various times at sea under difficult circumstances. He is the holder of five medals—two from the Royal Humane Society, one from Lloyd's, and two privately given.

A DISSERTATION ON EGGS.

And Other Things.

As the woman in the suburbs objected upon economical principles to paying more for eggs than she had paid a week before, she held a joint debate in the subject with the man from the country who supplies her. There was just the suggestion of an edge on her tone as she respectfully asked him why eggs should be cheaper the latter part of April than the early part of May.

'Hens is hens,' he replied, and it sounded as if he was talking by rote. You can't tell nothin' 'bout them; nothin' 'tall I ha'n't sayin' anythin' far or ag'inat the female sex, explainin' which I will say that I'm livin' with my third wife, and I wouldn't make no affidavit now that any one of 'em was a fake. That's I been able to cacklerate, every woman's a variety jist in her herself. An' hens, so far as I been able fur to observe, is all members of the same sect, but diff'rent. Now, I got a hen what don't seem to have no object but fur to fight the cat. All the layin' she does is a layin' fur him, an' when he gets in sight there's the doggondest row ever you see. There's another hen id the lot is allus lookin' fur—'

'But what's all this got to do with the price of eggs? I don't want the history of your hominy. I'll pay you what I paid last week, and not a cent more.'

'But I'm tryin' to explain. If a hen is lightin' cats underfoot, or detectin' chicken hawks, or lovin' any outside issue fur to occupy her mind, she's not layin' eggs. That's plain 'nough. She's not layin' eggs. That's where the insuperable law of supply an' demand comes in. Ask your man 'bout it; he'll understan'. Fur instins, if thirty hens upon a hundred is not occupied by business, they is less eggs 'an if they was all 'proctin'. Then as cats eggs—'

'For goodness sake! Give me six dozen.'

'The noblest weapon is the sword,' declared Emperor William yesterday. Maybe, but when it comes down to plain, practical business, a saved-off scatter-gun is a long way ahead.

A CURE FOR CHOLERA INFANTUM.

'LAST May,' says Mrs. Curtis Baker, of Bookwalter, O., U. S. A., 'an infant child of our neighbors was suffering from cholera infantum. The doctor had given up all hopes of recovery. I took a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy to the house, telling them I felt sure it would do good if used according to directions. In two days' time the child had fully recovered, and is now nearly a year (since) a vigorous, healthy girl. I have recommended this Remedy frequently and have never known it to fail in any single instance.' For sale by A. Deslons, WATKINS LTD., General Agents.

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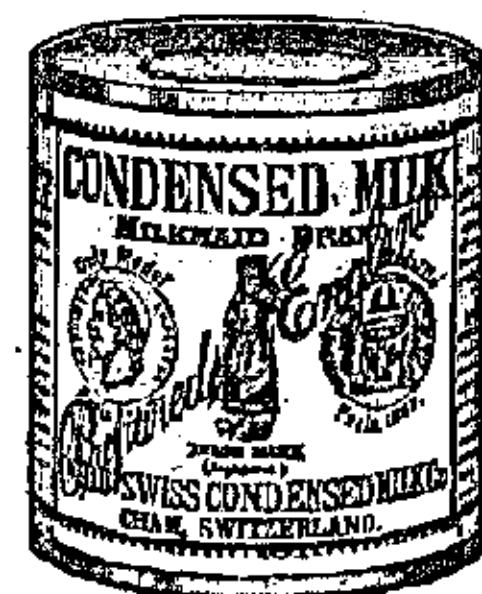
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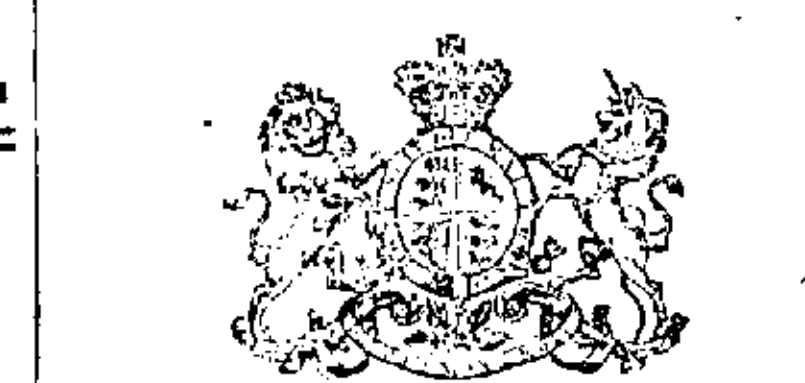
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BIRTH.
At the Government Civil Hospital, on the 12th inst., the Wife of JAMES R. MURPHY, of a Son.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 1901.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

When we published H.

E. Sir Henry Blake's

despatch to the Secre-

tary of State for the

Colonies and referred

to the now notorious memoranda of his

three most prominent officials, there

were some members of the community

who began to think that the last word

had been spoken on the 'alleged' insani-

tary condition of the Colony of Hongkong.

People were agitated at the splendid au-

thority of the memoranda-writing trio of

officials. So plausible were they, so

candid in begging the main issues, they

succeeded in misleading some worthy

citizens, who, faced by the dwindling

statistics of plague cases, were inclined

to doubt whether the evidence of their

eyes—and other senses—could be be-

lieved. The public are learning gradu-

ally how little reliance can be placed on

the audacious statements of the official

tribunals. We think the public will

agree that the discussion of the sani-

tary condition of the Colony is not

altogether a matter for historical

research. It is in accordance with

the traditions of the Government

service that the local officials

should be more concerned with the past

—in saving their own skins—than they

are over the present condition of the

Colony and what should be done for the

future. It may seem an injustice to

say this, having in mind the heroics of

some of the officials we were accustomed

to read prior to the denunciation of the

local reporters at the Sanitary Board.

But the bald fact stares the public in

the face that these same officials seem

to be filled with the idea that a defence

of the past is needed, and so they have

determined to sacrifice any person and

any principle so long as they can succeed

in buttressing their own position. If

these persons do not agree with the

apologists then so much the worse

for the former. If previously-expressed

principles do not coincide with those now

expressed then they can be conveniently

ignored. The letter of our correspondent 'Hun-

gham' is very much in point at the pre-

sent time. 'Hungham' is obviously

not an official. Instead of shutting

himself up in his office with blue-books

for recreative reading, he has gone to

the streets and by-ways of the Colony

and collected facts at first hand; and

we venture to advance the opinion that

anyone acquainted with the facts he

brings forward will scarcely accept as

convincing the assertions of the official

apologists, as set forth in the latest

blue-book on the sanitary condition of

Hongkong. The public are more concern-

ed with the present and the future than

with the past. 'Whoever is responsible

for the insubstantial condition of Hong-

kong—whether it is the Government, as we

assert, or whether it is the public, as the

Government assert—there can surely be

only one opinion that it is desirable to

reform the Colony in such a manner as

will remove the causes of epidemic dis-

ease and to give the people healthier

conditions in which to live. Let the

Governor take note of 'Hungham's'

letter, and lay its lesson to heart.

Here, as the writer of the letter points

out, is a comparatively new suburb of

what promises to be one of the most

densely populated of all the villages in

Hongkong, and the Government is re-

sponding in it all the evils that have

contributed to make the city of Victoria

one of the most pestilential places in

the face of the earth. If the Public

Works Department is not fit to grapple

with its proper work now, what are

we to expect when the scarce

Chinese return to overcrowd the present

limited number of dwellings? Will the

Sanitary authorities, who are gradually

losing ground and who are apparently

unable to check flagrant contraventions

of the sanitary bye-laws in the heart of

this city, be made the scapegoats once

again? In fact, is Hongkong to be allowed

to drift, for it cannot be said that it is

governed, the health of soldiers and sailors endan-

gered, and the commercial prosperity of the

place crippled permanently simply because

the Colonial Office refuses to accept the

counsel of the community? If so, there

will be a bad crop to reap one of these

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The Nagasaki Hotel, Limited, pays a dividend of 2½ per cent. for the past half-year.

It is now denied from Japan that Mr

J. Pierpont Morgan has purchased the

Doddwell line of steamers between Hong-

kong and America.

On the medal which the Kaiser will

present to the German troops on their

return from China the German eagle is

shown with his claws in the Chinese dragon.

After all (says the *Kobe Chronicle*), the

sanitary—or insubstantial—condition of Hong-

kong appears to be only further evidence

of the inefficiency of the Crown Colony

form of government.

During the recent typhoon, a Japanese

cruiser and the German steamer *Gouverneur**Jacobs* came into collision at Woo-

sung. The stern of the latter vessel was

somewhat badly damaged.

The appointment, subject to His Ma-

jesty's approval, of the Hon. J. Thurburn

to be an Unofficial Member of the Legisla-

tive Council, *vice* the Hon. R. M. Gray,resigned, is notified in the *Gazette*.

Rev. Jas. Graham Paterson, the vener-

able and widely travelled missionary, con-

ducted a short religious service in the City

Hall on Sunday evening, which was fol-

lowed by an interesting lecture on his world-

wide travels.

On the 3rd inst., when the first un-

favourable bulletins regarding the health

of his mother were published, the Kaiser

countermanded all the arrangements for his

official reception of Count von Wackersee

at Hamburg, and deputed the Crown Prince

to represent him.

The Camarines Governorship.

Senor Mariano Ayala is mentioned as

the possible successor of Mr. Curry to the

governorship of the Camarines. Sr. Ayala

is a wealthy merchant and planter of those

provinces, has wide influence, and is said

to be well qualified to assume the obligations

of this important office.

The Harbour of Polac.

The harbour of Polac in the Philip-

pines is described as being a fine one with

plenty of water for the anchorage of deep

sea-going vessels. The island abounds in

heap and other products, and it only re-

quires the pacification of the country to

open up this industry.

Rough on Rats.

The rat business, says the *Manila**Times* of 7th inst., continues to increase

in volume at the office of the Board of

Health. Owing to the inconvenience

caused by the traffic it has become nec-

essary to establish stations in every district

in Manila where the rodents will be

cremated and the bounties paid their cap-

tors.

A Boom in Spanish.

One result of America's war with Spain,

says the *Manila Times* of 6th inst., has

been a 'boom' in the Spanish language,

which is making great headway, not only

in universities and colleges but even in

schools, where it is threatening to out-

strip French and German. At Yala, where

the study of this language had been neg-

lected for many years, more than a hundred

students have chosen it as one of their

'electives.' In the West the appetite for

this new learning is said to be even keener.

Such a rapid increase in the popularity of

Spanish is mainly due to the belief that

there will be many profitable business op-

portunities, as well as official appointments, in

Cuba and the Philippines.

Liquid Fuel.

The *Petroleum Industrial and Techni-**cal Review* of 6th July says:—A North-

German Lloyd steamer which is trading

between Singapore and Bangkok, and

which made 9 knots an hour burning 19

tons of Australian coal per day, has now

been adapted for burning liquid fuel, and

under the new system makes 11 knots with

a consumption of 14 tons of oil. We are

also informed that the China Mutual Ship-

ping Co. has ordered some of their vessels

to be adapted to the use of petroleum as

fuel. The Shell Line Co. have just placed

orders for two new steamers of 10,500 tons

each with Messrs. Wai Gray and Co., of

West Hartlepool. In addition to this, an-

other order for a similar vessel has been

placed with Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth

and Co. All these vessels are to be delivered

early next year. This same Company are

also making arrangements to secure a large

tonnage of oil-carrying vessels in another

direction.

Bricks in the hands of one's friends is all

very well—if they know what to do with

you.

Some years ago a witty old preacher, mak-

ing reference to the duties of wives, said:

'There is amongst my congregation a wif-

e who is guilty of disobedience to her

husband. To mark her, I'll burn this hymn-

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The P.O.M.O.'s Return.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Principal Civil Medical Officer, reported his return from leave of absence and resumed his duty on the 5th inst.

Mourning Order.

Owing to the death of H.I.M. Empress Frederick of Germany, all officers and war-

rant officers of the Garrison will wear

mourning for six weeks from the 6th inst.

The officers of the Volunteer Corps will

also wear the mourning band for the same

period.

Sanitary Board Vacancies.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak has been appointed by H.E. the Governor a member of the

Sanitary Board for three years from the 8th

inst., *vice* Mr. Chan A. Peck, resigned. The

seats resigned by Dr. Hartigan and Mr. J.

McKio have yet to be filled. Mr. Lau Chu

Pak is a comrade to Messrs. A. S. Wats

on and Co.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherland Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Penjamin, Kelly & Potts, £25
H. P. Tecker, £5

Gold Bullion in Japan.

The foreign gold coin and gold bullion received by the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank at Kobe from Hongkong, Shanghai and Manila having reached a value of about Yen 2,000,000 an application was recently made to the Imperial Mint at Osaka to have the bullion coined into Japanese gold pieces. The Mint, says an Osaka contemporary, has been pushing on with the work by suspending in part the summer vacation, and it is expected that the coining will be finished in a day or two.

The Plague.

During the past forty-eight hours only two cases of plague and two deaths (Chinese) were reported in the Colony. During the past week, there were 10 fresh cases and 12 deaths as compared with 13 cases and 11 deaths in the previous week. The number of cases to date are—1015 (1533 Chinese, 51 other Asiatics, and 31 Europeans); deaths, 1543 (Chinese 1498, other Asiatics 34, Europeans 11). We understand the youth Stewards is suffering from malarial fever, not plague as at first reported, and has been taken from the Kennedytown Hospital to the Government Civil Hospital.

Theatre Royal.

The Australian Vaudeville and Specialty Company were more successful than ever on Saturday evening. Their programme was better and the audience was larger. The articles all excelled their previous efforts and in every way, it may be said, the performance was characterised with a vim which carried the audience with it. A feature on Saturday evening was the introduction of amateur talent. Two of the crew of the *Pido* gave an exhibition of clowning which was warmly appreciated. The performance will be repeated for two nights more, after which the Company will embark on the *Kwunang* and sail for Singapore, where the Company opens on the 20th inst. Those lovers of the variety stage who have not yet seen the performance ought to avail themselves of the opportunity now that the evenings are cooler.

The Plague in Formosa.

The Plague Inspection Office which was established at Osaka in November last under the direct jurisdiction of the Home Department was intended as only a temporary organisation. Since the establishment of the office only one case of plague has occurred in the city (says the *Kobe Chronicle*), and the number of cases in which rats and mice have been found to contain bacilli progressively diminished, no cases being discovered since the 47th of June last. Thus everything points to the fact that the plague has been completely exterminated. In view, however, of the fact that the disease is raging with great virulence in Formosa, over 4,000 cases having been reported since January last, and communication between Osaka and Formosa being very frequent, there is a possibility that the disease may yet be brought into the city. The authorities of the Home Department have therefore decided to maintain the office in existence for the time being, economising the expenditure as much as practicable, but keeping the present organisation so that the office can be brought into full operation at a moment's notice.

SHOOTING.

B. Co. H.K.V.C. mustered very strongly for their Subscription Cup shoot last Saturday, and, being favoured with fine weather, some excellent scores were made. The shooting for Lieut. Aitken's Cup, held last proved very exciting. Marshall and Ormsby, who each required but one win to make the Cup his own property kept together right through. Eventually the latter beat his doubtful opponent by a single point, but failed by the same number to concede the handicap to Chapman, who scored his second win, and placed himself on the honoured roll of backmarkers. The best scores were:—

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	2000 yds.	2400 yds.	2800 yds.	3200 yds.	3600 yds.	4000 yds.
Mr. Denny	24	32	30	18	25	19
Marshall	22	32	30	30	27	25
Ormsby	22	32	30	30	27	25
Chapman	22	32	30	30	27	25
Penning	22	32	30	30	27	25
Bart	22	32	30	30	27	25
Vincent	22	32	30	30	27	25
Ormsby	22	32	30	30	27	25
Gawron	22	32	30	30	27	25
Burgess	22	32	30	30	27	25

*Winners of Spoon.

	2500 yds.	3000 yds.	3500 yds.	4000 yds.
Mr. Chapman	25	32	29	51
Ormsby	27	33	30	80
Marshall	28	32	29	80
Vincent	28	29	28	87
Burgess	28	29	28	87

Sometimes a public office is a public trust administered for the benefit of the holder.

I want to leave, 'tuan' said the conchman to the magistrate. 'I'm sorry to hear that, Ma'am. Why?' 'Every time I drive you out, 'tuan, I hear people say, "There goes the old rascal," and I don't know which of us it means.'

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 8th August, 1901.

Lord Kitchener's proclamation providing stern measures against the enemy, has been favourably received in Natal. The terms of the proclamation are unknown at present.

The correspondent of the London Post states that twenty-five of Steinacker's Horse were surprised and captured on the Salie River.

PARLIAMENT.

The New Closure Rule Adopted.

The New Closure Rule, enabling Estimates to be voted in groups instead of separately, was adopted on Wednesday. The Rule was applied in the House of Commons yesterday evening, and Estimates aggregating £67,746,833 sterling were voted in three hours, including £45,000,000 sterling for the Army.

MOURNING FOR THE LATE EMPRESS FREDERICK.

Three weeks' mourning for the late Empress Frederick has been ordered.

LONDON, 9th August, 1901.

GREAT BRITAIN'S REPRESENTATIVE IN COREA.

The promotion of Mr. John Newell Jordan to British Minister in Corea is gazetted.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

Lord Kitchener's Proclamation.

Lord Kitchener's proclamation, which was issued in accordance with instructions from the Home Government, banishes permanently from South Africa, unless surrendering before the 15th September, all Commandants, Field Cornets, and leaders of armed bands, being burghers of the late Republics, still resisting, also the members of the governments of the late Transvaal and Orange Free State. Charges will also be made upon the property of burghers not surrendering by the 15th September, for the maintenance of their families.

LONDON, 10th August, 1901.

The newspapers heartily approve of Lord Kitchener's proclamation, and anticipate stern measures if these are ineffective.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

THE FRENCH IN CHINA.

Paris, August 4.

The departure of the majority of the French troops from Peking is notified. There remains behind at Peking only 500 men, who constitute the guard for the Legation.

[REUTERS SERVICE TO HONGKONG.]

THE MOROCCO ENVOY.

London, July 31.—The *Morning Post* special correspondent at Tangiers says that the Moroccan Envoy to London and Berlin has been arrested at Mazghana (Morocco) for granting unauthorized concessions to England and spending two millions sterling.

SUPREME COURT.

In CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before His Hon. A. G. Wise, and a Jury.)

MONDAY, 12th August, 1901.

THE FORGERY CASE.

The hearing in the first five counts of the indictment against Li Yang, which began on the 6th inst., concluded today.

The case was one in which defendant was charged on fourteen counts with the obtaining of money by false pretences and uttering and publishing a forged and counterfeit writing with intent to defraud.

Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Acting Attorney General (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Dwyer, Crown Solicitor) prosecuted and Mr. J. J. Francis, K.C. (instructed by Mr. J. J. Recco, solicitor) appeared for the defendant.

After an absence of forty minutes, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty on all five counts.

The prisoner having been discharged, the Acting Attorney General said he did not propose to prosecute on the other nine counts.

His Lordship then directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty on these counts, which was accordingly done.

In thanking the jury for their attendance, and great interest in the case, he had been a long Session, the jurymen who had sat in this case would be exempted from serving again till the end of next year, March 1903.

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MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT AND NAVY RATINGS.

An Interesting Experiment.

The *Southern Daily Mail* (Portsmouth, England) has received an interesting story from its naval correspondent with the Mediterranean Squadron, which indicates the manner in which Messrs. Yerburgh, M.P., and Arnold White, M.P., members of the Committee on Naval Viewallings made a unique experiment in order to discover whether the navy ratings are sufficient for Jack aback.

When the Mediterranean Fleet left Malta, Messrs. Yerburgh and White accepted the invitation of Lord Charles Derosford to take a trip in H.M.S. *Renard*. Instead of enjoying the luxury of the Admiralty table, however, with a devotion to duty that was little less than heroic, the M.P.s decided to live upon navy ratings for a few days.

As the squadron was supposed to be in a state of war, the hon. members were unable to augment the allowance with supplies from the canteen. They were presumed to be piped out to scrub decks at 5.20, but presuming in this respect as sufficient without the reality, they at 6.30 they were duly handed a pint of cocoa and a piece of bread or biscuit. At 12 they had their allowance of soup, and, bully, or whatever was the fare for the day, and at 4 o'clock had their pint of tea and another chunk of bread and biscuit, and after that had to fast until 6.30 next morning.

Admiral Fisher got wind of what they were doing, and signalled chaffing messages from the flagship. In response to his queries as to how they liked it, they replied:—'Both Mr. Arnold White and Mr. Yerburgh are rather hungry, and begin to hold strong opinions on the ration question, especially as the canteen is closed, this being war time.'

The Admiral signalled back:—'As the preservation of the lives of Mr. Arnold White and Mr. Yerburgh is of supreme importance to the British navy, and, consequently, to the preservation of the British Empire, the Commander-in-Chief is of opinion they should be taken off their present low diet, and released at once from body-strengthening decks and scrubbing canvas gear (which they have been previously doing since five a.m. on a pint of cocoa and 1 lb. of biscuit), and sent on board the *Renard* to lunch with the Commander-in-Chief.'

'We are fasting, but first,' said the hon. gentlemen in reply, though they admitted that the prospect of a good lunch on board the flagship was most alluring.

Other good-humoured messages were exchanged, the Admiral congratulating the M.P.s on the courageous spirit, that association with the navy had developed in them.

CORRESPONDENCE.

"ONE FOR HIS NOBS."

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Kowloon, August 11, 1901.

Sir,—Some days ago, there appeared in your advertisement columns one of the familiar whitewashing notices, in which the Secretary ingeniously remarks that the Sanitary Board is "convinced of the necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to stamp out the Plague."

His Excellency the Governor referred to in a recent dispatch as for the most part recently built, inhabited by the best-paid labouring classes in the Colony, and yet the scene of very numerous plague cases this time.

We have it on the authority of Scripture that whitewashing is not necessarily associated with cleanliness and goodness. The Seribes and Pharisees were great white-washers. So it occurred to me to walk through Hunghom and see what else besides whitewashing our rulers are doing or have done for the public well.

I don't know what Experts held to be the essentials of general cleanliness, but I think that the town in the street where I passed through the cutting near Hunghom Market and came on to the fine new road leading towards Kowloon City. There are some twenty new and well-built Chinese tenement houses recently completed on this road, and in one of these I found a Chinaman whom I have known for many years, one of the "bad pest" class referred to by His Excellency.

To him I addressed my enquiries:—"When do you get your water, Ah Fook?" He pointed to a street fountain over 400 yards away. This was the nearest and only supply for those twenty new houses, and I don't know how many others.

In reply to my next question he told me that the nearest regular Public Latrines were at Hunghom, half a mile away, that these were entirely insufficient for the Hunghomites and that men were waiting their turn, often three deep, to make use of them.

The sewerage in the neighbourhood of these houses is rudimentary, disorganized and fragmentary to a degree seldom found even in Hongkong.

Asking as to the convenience in the houses, I was told that the cook-houses of these modern dwellings, the plans of which must have come under the notice of both P. W. D. and the Sanitary Board, were barely 9 feet by 31 feet. Have you ever been inside a Chinese house, Mr. Editor? If so you will have acquired an entirely new idea of what a "minimum" is. These cook-houses are the only places where it is possible for dirty workmen, occupying upper floors, to wash, if we except the verandahs, and these are forbidden to be used as bath-rooms and no means is provided for carrying off dirty water.

Cleanliness would indeed be a heroic virtue amongst people living thus. Try to picture the conditions—A walk of from 200 yards to half a mile to the W. C.; every drop of water to be carried several hundred yards, and then perhaps up two steep ladders and used in a hole lumbered with the cooking utensils of a dozen other lodgers.

This is not in Tsim Sing-Slam, but in an entirely new suburb.

Every candid observer will admit the great difficulties besetting the progress of Sanitary reform in the older parts of Hongkong; but what hope is there for the Colony if our rulers neglect the opportunities and ignore their responsibilities when new quarters are being built?—Yours,

HUNGHOM.

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AT HENLEY.

Scene: The roof of the "Wee Willie Winkie," the enormous horseboot tented by Sir Joshua Bendyshe-Miggs, Bart., of table-knife and insect-powder fame, as, of course, you are well aware. It is the evening of the first day, after dinner. Consequently the three thousand fairy lamps which are hung round the outline of the large, and between, in, and on top of the fifteen hundred pots of climbing geraniums, are alight, and the neighbouring households, although crowded with various coloured lamps, look almost feeble in comparison. Many people, whose faces are familiar from their constant appearance in and out of costume in front pages of weekly illustrated papers, are chaffing here and there, but above the ripple of laughter and the soft lapping of water against the sides of the large, the tuncation of many harpicoes, the nasal baritone of distant would-be mysterious musicians from third-rate music-halls, the florid jangle of many pianos, the sudden laugh and stream, and occasionally the melancholy, nagging voice of the peacock calling, perhaps, to her too convicted husband from the lawn of Hambleton.

The still air is filled with the expensive scent of the well-known Bendyshe-Miggs cigar, which, as only the more adventurous members of the Press, the House of Commons, and the Turf are aware, dears the exceedingly amusing and, it must be owned, peculiarly ingenious Bendyshe-Miggs coat-of-arms upon its label.

The Duchess (coming on to the roof, personally conducted by Sir Joshua, who naturally is a past master in the art). My dear Sir Joshua, I never saw so many lights before, except outside the other Apollo Theatre. Kneels all the three Apollo Theatre dead, don't you know.

Sir Joshua (beaming in a wholesome manner, and purring loudly). Oh, yes, they're all right, Duchess, they're all right. Mind you, so they ought to be. Why, what d'you think they cost me—lights alone, I mean?

The Duchess. I dunno, my dear man, how should I? When I was on the stage I was never in management, y'know.

Sir Joshua (impressively). Every blessed thing of four hundred pound! A tidy bit of money, what? Still, I did 'very fairly well at Ascot by not backing my own horses; so it's all right, Duchess, it's all right. I'll have detailed description in the papers, y'know, with photos and a full list of guests, and it'll all come back; it'll all come back. Hah, Duchess, it's wonderful easy to do. All the equipment necessary is—

Mysterious Musician (in pant with piano). Tact, tact.

Tact, tact. Take it for a fact, just try it, an' you'll find it will invariably act.

Praps they told yer in yer youth. That there's nothing like their truth. But it really can't compare at all with tact, tact, tact.

No, it really can't compare. Sir Joshua (going quickly to the rail of the boat, rather redder in the ample face). Er, you—Bess on, please, pass on. (He catches them sixpence in his coppers.)

The Duchess (who has followed him, smiling whimsically). But he's not so far out, after all, Sir Joshua. Eh, what? Where would you and me be now, but for that not-to-be-purchased commodity?

Sir Joshua (letting all the veneer he possesses go overboard, and laughing immoderately). Ush, my dear Duchess, I sh. I don't do to give it away. Let's for once be old times. Dear, oh dear, but it seems only yesterday that I was on my apron and used to go of an evening to the gallery of the old Vic, and 'er you sing 'Don't yer wish yer wish, yer wish yer wish—'

The Duchess (with an ecstatic burst). 'Wish yer, wish yer was'... My goodness, shall I ever forget it? Eight pound a week, an old money to keep, the nearest and only supply for those twenty new houses, and I don't know how many others.

Mysterious Musician (some barges away). Ah! for ther d'ys beyond retrievin', Ah! for ther golden d'ys, Ah! for ther d'ys be-yond re-tre-e-vin'-g.

Al-ha-ha for ther golden—

The Duchess (stopping a hot tear at its birth). Come away, old man, let's talk of somethin' else. (They cross to the bank side of the roof.)

Lord Adolphus Canning-Pannox (leaning on the rail and looking down at Mrs. Billy Denham). Yes, of course, 'enley has degenerated into a beast for shopkeepers; but, having been cleaned out at Ascot, I had to live somehow, and so I was obliged to accept three days' food from old Miggs—to say nothing of cigars.

Mrs. Billy. He does one v'ry proud, certainly; the champagne to-night was like velvet. But ye gods, what ostentation! Of course, one has to go with the times; but I'm not sure that I am yet educated up to being part and parcel of a huge advertising scheme.

Lord Adolphus. It wants a bit of nerve, of course; but, don't you see if we didn't let these shoppes and people run us, what in the world should we do for a living? Besides, what the deuce does any blessed thing matter if only we see each other sometimes?

Mrs. Billy (becoming natural). Don't do that! People will talk.

Lord Adolphus. People will talk whether I do or not. Let 'em talk. You know jolly well that I—

Mrs. Billy (appearing). Oh! don't say it. You mustn't say it. Remember Billy—he's such a dear. Besides, what's the use? Why do you—

Lord Adolphus (leaning closer). Why—why?

Mysterious Musician (tremolo full on).

You are my why I love, when love should be

A thing undreamed-of, dead, 'twixt you an' me.

You might treat her stars to cease to shine

As seek to stay so deep a love as—

Mrs. Billy (getting up hastily and holding a twitching hand to her lips). Oh, Dolly, can't you make him shut up? I hate and loathe that beast of a song.

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From PERMAN (G.P. Co.), S. P. I. S. N., and J. and P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers, Goods not cleared by the 16th August, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

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H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, August 10, 1901. 1662

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. Today.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, the 13th Inst., and Thursday, the 15th Inst., at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 10th Inst., or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

MELCHERS & Co.,
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Hongkong, August 10, 1901. 1659

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP *TAIFU*.

FROM CHEFOO.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signing and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,
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FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. S. S. *Sibiria*, Captain PORELICH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signing by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.
HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, August 5, 1901. 1624

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SHANGHAI.

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The Vessel having encountered a severe typhoon, damages arising therefrom are referred to the underwriters, who please note that Protest will be extended.

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Destinations.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports.	Guthrie (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Aug. 15, at noon.
Bremen & Ports of Call.	König Albert (s)	Northdeutscher Lloyd.	Aug. 21, at noon.
Havre and Hamburg.	Alexandrie (s)	Hamburg-Amk. Linie	Aug. 27.
Kolo	Pekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Aug. 17.
Kobe and Moji.	Tchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Aug. 13.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Miki Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Aug. 13, at noon.
Kobe and Yokohama.	Saeki Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Aug. 14, daylight.
Kobe.	Clemens (s)	Doddwell & Co., Ltd.	Aug. 14.
Japan Ports & Yan'wei.	Tartar (s)	Canadian P&B R. Co.	Aug. 14, at noon.
Liverpool	Patroclus (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Aug. 11.
London & Ports of Call.	Coronador (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 17, at noon.
London	Peleus (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Aug. 20.
London	Stechor (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Sept. 3.
Manila, Singapore, & Macao.	Manila (s)	Sunder, Wier & Co.	Aug. 19 afternoon.
Manila	Kwang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Aug. 11, at 4 p.m.
Manila, Hongkai & Cebu.	Sungking (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Aug. 19.
Marseilles and London.	Malacca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 12, at noon.
New York	Manuel Liguno	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Oct. 25.
New York	I. F. Chapman	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York, Suez Canal.	Henthurn (s)	Doddwell & Co., Limited	About Aug. 18.
New York, Suez Canal.	Amara (s)	Doddwell & Co., Ltd.	About Sept. 4.
New York, Suez Canal.	Amara (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Aug. 14, at noon.
San Diego & San Francisco.	Strathgyle (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	About Sept. 15.
San Francisco & Japan.	Dotie (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Aug. 15, at Noon.
San Francisco & Japan.	Peru (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Aug. 31, at noon.
San Francisco & Japan.	Nippon Maru (s)	Toyko Kisen Kaisha.	Aug. 24, at noon.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yama.	Fomosa (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Aug. 23.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yama.	Yamato Maru (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Aug. 13, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yama.	Madagascar (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Aug. 14, at noon.
Shanghai.	Mazagon (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Aug. 13, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai.	Ningpo (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Aug. 11.
Shanghai.	Paramatta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Aug. 16.
Shanghai.	Changsha (s)	Butterfield and Swire.	Aug. 24.
Spore, Pang & Bhey.	Borinda (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	Aug. 13, at noon.
Spore, Penang & Cebu.	Kunming (s)	Martin, Macfarlane & Co.	Aug. 14, at noon.
Spore, Amoy, & Canton.	Maru (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Aug. 14, at noon.
Swatow, Amoy & Tsu.	Daini Maru (s)	Jardine Bussan Kaisha.	Aug. 14, at noon.
Swow, Amoy, F'chow.	Haitan (s)	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Aug. 11, at 9 a.m.
Swow, Amoy & F'chow.	Aping Maru (s)	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	Aug. 14, daylight.
Tientsin (Wash.) &c.	Clavering (s)	Doddwell & Co., Limited	Aug. 19, at noon.
Tientsin	Kwaiyang (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Aug. 17.
Yamchow (B.C.) &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P&B R. Co.	Aug. 28, at noon.
Yokohama, B.C. &c.	Yamato Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	Aug. 12, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama and Kobe.	China (s)	Sunder, Wier & Co.	Aug. 18, daylight.

Aug. 12, 1904.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, <i>per share.</i>
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	£ 125	all	390 ½ Premium = \$9124
Bank of China & Japan, Limited				sellers, London, £61.10
Ordinary	196,875	£ 8	2 4	15 Shillings
deferred	1,250	£ 1	2	1 18.6
National Bank of China, Limited	10,970	£ 10	8	\$28, buyers
	29,955	£ 10	8	\$28, buyers
Do. Founders' shares	7.0	£ 1	4	1 \$15, sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 250	50	\$175, sellers
Ch'ng N' Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£ 8.33	23	\$60, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	£ 100	23	Tls. 175
Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	£ 100	20	nom.
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	£ 250	50	\$340
Yantaize Insurance Association, Ltd	8,000	£ 100	50	\$125
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 100	20	\$84
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 250	50	\$340, sellers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.	50,000	£ 10	all	\$205
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	£ 25	25	\$55, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 25	25	\$34, buyers
C. S. Parnham, Lloyd & Co.	55,760	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 295, sales
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
S. China & Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 50	50	\$62, sellers
	14,000	£ 50	50	\$62, sellers
Deuglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	£ 50	all	\$94, sellers
H.K. & M. S. Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 15	15	\$24, ex div., sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	80,000	£ 10	all	\$139, sellers
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£ 10	10	\$12
		£ 10	10	\$12
Do. (new issue)	20,000	£ 10	2 5	\$7
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	£ 1	10	\$24, by rs, 50, by rs new
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 1	1	\$2 12 ½, sellers
Shanghai Tug Boat Co., Ltd.	1,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 335, buyers
Toku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 140, buyers
Shanghai Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 132½, sales
Co-operative Cargo Boat Co., Ltd.	1,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 132½, sales
WINE MERCHANTS.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	£ 100	all	\$144½, sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	£ 100	all	\$336, sellers
Pearl Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 77½
WHARVES.				
H.K. & Kw. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	£ 50	all	\$99, sales
Wanchai Yardsbush and Storage Company, Limited	2,000	£ 100	3	\$ 364
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	15,100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 300, buyers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	£ 100	£ 100	\$102, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 109, ex div., buyers
Kowloon Land & Building Company	6,000	£ 50	30	\$30
Wei-hei-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 20

AILS will close :—

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
 Per *Yamato*, on Tuesday, at 7.30 a.m. (Registration, with late letters of 10 cents up to 8 a.m.) Letters 8 a.m. (Late Letters 8.10 to 8.30 a.m., on Tuesday), the 13th August. (Extra Postage 10 cents.)
 For HIOHWO & BANGKOK.—
 Per *Chedra*, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 13th August.
 For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.—
 Per *Bowdich*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 13th August.
 For KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
 Per *Mike Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 13th August.
 For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
 Per *Kinsing*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 14th August.
 For SINGAPORE.—
 Per *Yamato*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 14th August.
 For SHANGHAI.—
 Per *Maeyama*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 13th August.
 For KUMCHUK & SAMSUI.—
 Per *Tongkong*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 13th August.

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 LS BY THE UNITED STATES PAOK

The United States Mail Packet *Doris* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 16th Aug., with Mails, for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed at follows:—
Registration at 10 a.m.
Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.
Letters, 11 a.m.
(Supplementary Mail on board up to the time fixed for the departure of the Mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Amara* reports light S.W. wind, light rain, and moderate strong gale from E. on 28th. W. on 29th, and on the 30th, and rough sea experienced off the Suddies; and moderate S.E. wind on to port of Suifu; arrived on the 9th and left on the 10th, light winds variable and moderate, and light rain.

The British steamer *Malacca* reports light N.E. wind, with rain, from Pochoo to Hongkong.

The British steamer *Kwaijing* reports from Shanghai Promontory to Yangtze on 28th, light S.W. wind, and moderate S.E. to P.E.E., with heavy sea; from thence to Amoy, fresh to moderate winds and rough sea. Amoy to Hongkong, light S.W. winds and fine weather.

The British steamer *Albatross* reports from Hongkong to Amoy, light S.W. winds. Variable winds from N. to East, light to moderate, showery and smooth sea.

The British steamer *Guthrie* reports from Amoy to Hongkong, light S.W. wind, moderate Aug. 6th, fine weather throughout, moderate Aug. 7th, with a falling barometer last 24 hours; gross sea, with uncertain weather off Ocksen.

The German steamer *Acta* reports light S.W. wind and sea, clear weather. The British transport *Clara* reports light S.W. wind, and light weather; fine weather throughout.

tuesday, the 10th Aug.

at 6 p.m., on same day for Nagsauk
and who is due to arrive at 7 a.m. of
the 15th Aug.

The Imp. General Mail ste. *Kobu* leaving
left Koba, via Nagsauk en. Shanghai
on Sunday afternoon, the 14th Aug.
and may be expected here on or about
Tuesday the 20th.

The N. Y. K. ste. *Sasuki Maru* left Singa-
pore for this port on the 16th Aug.
and is expected to arrive here on the
18th Aug.

The N. Y. K. ste. *Yamaguchi Maru* left
Shimonoseki for this port on the after-
noon of 14th Aug. and is expected to
arrive here on the 14th Aug.

The P. & O. Co.'s ste. *Paravally*, with
the *English Mail* of the 15th July
left Bombay for this port on the 14th
Aug., at noon, and may be expected
here on or about Friday, the 16th Aug.
This Packet brings replies to letters
dispatched from Hongkong on June
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The T. K. S. ste. *Ngapon Maru*, with
the *AMERICA* Mail of the 17th July
left Shanghai on Monday, the 12th
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Premier, Queen's Road.	
HONGKONG, August 12, 1901.	
BAROMETRE	9 A.M. 29.69
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Do.	4 P.M. 29.55
THERMOMETER—2 A.M.	81
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Do.	Do. 4 P.M. 78
Do.	Do. 81
Do. Maximum	79
Do. Minimum	79

Optium Quotations.	
HONGKONG, August 12, 1901.	
Now Patna, cash	960/935
Old Patna, cash	972/980
Now Benares, cash	830
Old Benares, cash	845
Now Malwa, credit	870
Now Allahabad, credit	870
Last Year, credit	880
Allahabad, Trade	net 12/12
Old Malwa credit	
Allahabad, Trade	
Now Allahabad, cash	
Allahabad, Trade	
Persian, Paper, tied long	610/820

Hongkong Dairy Farm
Hongkong Ice Company

Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	20
Tebrau Planting Company, Ltd.	20
H.Kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	12
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	17
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	18
Loou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2
Yahkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	60
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Ltd.	7
China Dormer Company, Ltd.	7
Universal Trading Co.	20
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	23
PHILIPPINE TOBACCO COMPANY, LTD.	3
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	3
Alumina Limited.	
LOANS	2,444,166
Chinese Imperial 1881	757,200

75	all.	88, buyers
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Price.		Interest.		Quotation.	
s. 2807 % p. annum 10 % p.m.					
VERNON and SMYTH, Share-brokers.					